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FOLLOWING IS REPORT OF FOURTH AND FIFTH U.S.-TURKISH
MILITARY-LEVEL EW TALKS:

1. SUMMARY-THE FOURTH AND FIFTH FORMAL MEETINGS AT THE
MILITARY LEVEL WERE CONDUCTED 3 MAY AND 4 MAY. TURKS
MADE ONE MORE ATTEMPT TO TEST THE LIMIT OF THE U.S. OFFER.
FOLLOWING THIS THE TURKISH TEAM SHIFTED EMPHASIS AND
CONCENTRATED ON REALIGNMENT OF ITEMS TO FIT WITHIN WHAT THEY

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PERCEIVED TO BE THE LIMITS OF U.S. RESOURCES AVAILABLE.

TO DATE, NO DOLLAR FIGURES HAVE BEEN SPECIFICALLY TIED TO THE PACKAGE; HOWEVER, TURKS SEEM TO HAVE IDEA OF LIMIT OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES. FINAL PACKAGE WHICH IS SHOWN BELOW HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO GOT/TGS DECISION MAKERS FOR CONSIDERATION. NEXT ACTION WILL BE AT DIPLOMATIC LEVEL WHEN TURKS OFFER PROPOSAL. THESE TALKS MARKED CULMINATION OF DAILY DISCUSSIONS AT TECHNICAL LEVEL RESULTING IN REDUCTION OF INITIAL TURKISH MINIMUM PACKAGE IN EXCESS OF \$80 MILLION TO A PACKAGE WHICH APPEARS TO BE NEAR LIMITS OF RESOURCES AVAILABLE. END SUMMARY

2. AT 3 MAY MEETING, TURKS INDICATED BASIC AGREEMENT WITH U.S. ASSESSMENT OF MINIMUM INITIAL REQUIREMENTS; HOWEVER, THEY CONTINUED EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE VARIOUS CATEGORIES. TURKISH TEAM CHIEF, GENERAL KAHRAMAN, MADE STRONG PITCH TO INCREASE NAVY MINIMUM REQUIREMENT SIGNIFICANTLY AND TO INCLUDE MODERNIZATION OF THE 3RD ARMY AS HIGH PRIORITY. U.S. TEAM CHIEF, GEN GALLOWAY, RESISTED THESE EFFORTS AND REITERATED THAT UNDER TERMS OF 1962 MOU AND 1963 PROTOCOL, U.S. WAS NOT LEGALLY OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE OUTSIDE NORMAL MAP ANYTHING OTHER THAN 2ND ARMY SUPPORT. AT CLOSE OF FOURTH MEETING, IT APPEARED THAT TURKISH TEAM REASONABLY CONVINCED U.S. OFFER FIRM. AT THIS POINT, TURKS REQUESTED ADJOURNMENT TO PERMIT FURTHER DISCUSSION TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE LEVEL, WITH FORMAL MEETING SCHEDULED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THEREAFTER.

3. TECHNICAL DISCUSSION HELD ON THE MORNING OF 4 MAY AT WHICH TIME TURKS CONTINUED EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF DISCUSSIONS. WHEN THIS ATTEMPT UNSUCCESSFUL, FINAL FORMAL SESSION WAS HELD LATER IN DAY AND TURKISH PROPOSAL ACCEPTED FOR SUBMISSION TO USG FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION:
GROUND FORCES:

	NUMBER	EQUIPMENT
A. 2ND ARMY	4	AN/TLQ-15
	4	AN/GLQ-3

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B. 1ST ARMY	4	AN/TLQ-15
	4	AN/GLQ-3

AIR FORCE

A. F-4 RHAW	40	ALR-46
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ABOVE LIST CONSIDERED PRIORITY ONE REQUIREMENTS AND REFLECTS THE MINIMUM INITIAL ELECTRONIC WARFARE NEEDS OF THE TURKISH ARMED FORCES. U.S. MILITARY TEAM OF OPINION PACKAGE REPRESENTS NEAR IRREDUCIBLE MINIMUM AND VERY LITTLE DOWNWARD FLEXIBILITY EXISTS. REMAINING ITEMS ON TURKISH LISTS PRESENTED AT FIRST MEETING ARE CONTAINED IN TURKISH PRIORITY TWO. TURKISH TEAM CHIEF, GEN KAHRAMAN, UNDESTANDS THAT U.S. OFFER, IF APPROVED BY WASHINGTON WILL BE TO PROVIDE PRIORITY ONE PACKAGE ONLY AND THAT ALL PRIORITY TWO ITEMS AS WELL AS OTHER FOLLOW-ON NEEDS WILL BE FINANCED THROUGH NORMAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

4. COMMENT: RECOMMEND PACKAGE BE APPROVED AND FUNDS BE EARMARKED. DISCUSSIONS AT THE MILITARY LEVEL HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY INTENSE. DAILY MEETINGS HAVE BEEN HELD SINCE INITIAL SESSION 10 APRIL. THE FOLLOWING POINTS HAVE BEEN STRESSED THROUGHOUT DISCUSSIONS. FIRST, AS FAR AS ELECTRONIC WARFARE CONCERNED, U.S. DOES NOT FEEL LEGALLY OBLIGATED UNDER 1962 MOU OR 1963 PROTOCOL TO PROVIDE ANYTHING OTHER THAN EQUIPMENT FOR 2ND ARMY OUTSIDE NORMAL MAP. HOWEVER, AS A RESULT OF CERTAIN DISCUSSIONS OR IMPLIED PROMISES MADE IN PAST, U.S. IS PREPARED TO GO BEYOND THIS NARROW INTERPRETATION TO MAKE A SPECIAL ONE-TIME EFFORT TO AUGMENT TURKEY'S ELECTRONIC WARFARE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE A BASE UPON WHICH TO BUILD IN FUTURE. SECOND, ALL FOLLOW-ON EQUIPMENT, TRAINING, ETC., WILL BE FINANCED THROUGH NORMAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES. THIRD, THE DISCUSSIONS ARE LIMITED TO ELECTRONIC WARFARE ONLY AND ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF 1962 MOU WOULD NOT BE DISCUSSED. WE

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FEEL TURKISH ARRANGEMENT OF EQUIPMENT LISTS SUBMITTED FIRST MEETING INTO PRIORITY ONE AND TWO NECESSARY FOR TURKISH INTERNAL POLITICAL REASONS. IF PACKAGE APPROVED TURKS CAN STATE U.S. PROVIDED ALL PRIORITY ONE REQUIREMENTS. WE ARE OF OPINION THIS IS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN TOP LEVEL GOT/TGS APPROVAL U.S. OFFER.

5. TURKS APPREHENSIVE THAT U.S. OFFER WILL BE AT EXPENSE FY 74 GRANT AID. UNDERSTAND PRESSURE TO REALIGN ALL SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS; HOWEVER, FACTORS NOT OBVIOUS TO TURKS. WE ARE OF OPINION THEY WOULD MISINTERPRET SITUATION WHERE EW PACKAGE WAS APPROVED AND IN SEPARATE AND UNRELATED ACTION FY 74 GRANT AID REDUCED, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW FACT THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED SIMILAR SITUATION IN PAST. THEREFORE, RECOMMEND FY 74 PROGRAM

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